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Examiner : Deepak Rao
Group Art Unit : 1624
Applicant : Guy W. Bemis et al.
Application No. : 09/336,266 Confirmation No.: 7430
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New York, New York
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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Action dated September 11, 2000. With the extension, a response is due on or before March 12, 2001. A check in the amount of \$445.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3), is enclosed herewith.

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The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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